

## **PATENT**

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## Response to Restriction Requirement

Sir:

There is an outstanding office action mailed September 27, 2005 for which the one-month response period now ends November 27, 2005, having been extended by one month in view of the accompanying petition. In response to the restriction requirement, Applicants hereby elect the invention of Group I.

Respectfully submitted,

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